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THE REPLY FILED 08 January 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may <u>only</u> be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

<u>PERIOD FOR REPLY</u> [check either a) or b)]

a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____months from the mailing date of the final rejection.

b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1.☐ A Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.

2.☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:

    (a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);

    (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);

    (c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or

    (d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

    NOTE: _____.

3.☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.

4.☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).

5.☒ The a)☐ affidavit, b)☐ exhibit, or c)☒ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: *Applicant's arguments are not persuasive (see Attachment)*.

6.☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.

7.☒ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a)☐ will not be entered or b)☒ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

    The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

    Claim(s) allowed: *None*.

    Claim(s) objected to: *None*.

    Claim(s) rejected: *1-33*.

    Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: *None*.

8.☐ The drawing correction filed on _____ is a)☐ approved or b)☐ disapproved by the Examiner.

9.☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s). _____.

10.☐ Other: _____

Raman teaches a method of accessing data at a server computer from a client computer connected via a network, the data being stored on a data storage device connected to the server computer, the method comprising the steps of at the server computer, receiving a request for data from the client computer, determining whether the client computer can access the data in its stored form, when it is determined that the client computer cannot access the data in its stored form, converting the data into a form that the client computer can access. For example, receiving a request for data from the client, identifying which resources on the client can perform the function and identifying a set of data formats upon which the resources can perform the function of displaying, printing or editing, translating data from the first format to one of the set of data formats performable by the client, and using the resource on the client to perform the function on the parsed data in the second data format [see Abstract, Col. 1, Line 10 - Col. 2, Line 62, and Col. 3, Line 15-37]. Raman does not explicitly teach returning a locator to the client computer for locating the data. However, Klein teaches returning the URL to the client for the client to retrieve requested data from appropriate location [see Col. 10, Lines 45-65]. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to combine Raman and Klein teachings because it would have improved a load on the server by returning the locator to the client for the client locating the stored data in other storage such as database and thereby decreased the number of steps of delivering data via the server which in turn will reduce the total traffics in the network.

Therefore, the examiner asserts that the cited prior arts teach or suggest the subject matter broadly recited in independent claims. Claims 2-9, 11-18 and 20-33 are rejected at least by virtue of their dependency on independent claims and by other reasons set forth in the final office action (Paper No. 13). Accordingly, rejections for claims 1-33 are respectfully maintained.

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